MINUTES OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

Tuesday, October 25, 2005 9:00 a.m. Room 307 House Office Building, Lansing

Representative LaJoy, Chair, called the meeting to order.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Representatives LaJoy, Gosselin, Meyer, Casperson, Nitz, Wenke, Moore, Pavlov, Pearce, Anderson, Byrnes, Murphy, Kathleen Law, Gleason. (14/17) ABSENT/EXCUSED: Representatives David Law, Hood III, Leland. (3/17)

The Chair laid SB 248 before the Committee.

SB 248 Patterson Vehicles; fund-raising registration plates; procedures to establish and issue fund-raising plates; revise.

Chris Gillett, Legislative Aide to Senator Patterson, spoke to the Committee regarding SB 248.

James Fackler, representing the Michigan Secretary of State, answered questions for Committee members.

Sgt. Matt Bolger, representing the Michigan State Police, spoke to the Committee in opposition to SB 248 and answered questions.

Ed Noyola, representing the County Road Association of Michigan (CRAM), spoke in opposition to SB 248.

Mike Nystrom, representing the Michigan Infrastructure and Transportation Association (MITA), submitted a card in opposition to SB 248.

Representative Gosselin made a motion to amend SB 248, supported by Representative Moore, as follows:

1. Amend page 37, line 18, by striking out all of enacting section 2.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives LaJoy, Gosselin, Meyer, Casperson, Nitz, Wenke, Moore, Pavlov, Anderson, Byrnes, Kathleen Law, Gleason. (12/17)

Nays: None. (0/17)

Pass: None. (0/17) (12/0/0)

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

Chair LaJoy stated that further action on SB 248 would take place at a subsequent meeting of the Committee.

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The Chair laid HB 5259 before the Committee.

HB 5259 Casperson Traffic control; violations; seasonal weight restrictions; revise exemption for public utility vehicle under certain circumstances.

Representative Casperson spoke to the Committee regarding the provisions of HB 5259.

Dave Meisel, Director of Fleet Operations for Consumers Energy, also spoke in support of HB 5259.

Ed Noyola, representing CRAM, submitted a card indicating opposition to HB 5259.

Nick Reichert, representing Consumers Energy, submitted a card in support of HB 5259.

Ron DeCook representing the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT), submitted a card in opposition to HB 5259.

Subsequent to discussion, Representative Meyer made a motion to adopt HB 5259 (H-1), supported by Representative Pavlov.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives LaJoy, Meyer, Casperson, Nitz, Wenke, Moore, Pavlov, Murphy,

Gleason. (9/17) Navs: None. (0/17)

Pass: Representatives Anderson, Byrnes. (2/17) (9/0/2)

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

Chair LaJoy stated that further action on HB 5259 would take place at a subsequent meeting of the Committee.

Representative Moore made a motion to excuse absent members, supported by Representative Wenke. No objections being offered, absent members were excused.

There being no further business before the Committee, Chair LaJoy declared the meeting adjourned, the time being 10:28 a.m.

Representative Philip LaJoy, Chair